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Fwd: IU Health Bloomington Support of Reuse Committee

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February 18, 2015

Dear Mayor Kruzan,

First, I want to thank you and acknowledge your efforts on behalf of the City of Bloomington to assist IU Health Bloomington Hospital in staying at its Second Street location. Over the past few years, you have brought to the table interesting, innovative and out-of-the-box solutions to address real concerns about transportation, access and other issues impacting our decision about the feasibility of building a replacement hospital at the Second Street site. Your efforts have been consistent, sincere and highly

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respected.

Ultimately, it has been determined by the IU Health system, based on our patients' needs, that it is not feasible to build on this site. A few of the reasons include:

- 1. Rebuilding on the current site would take two- to three-times as long, placing our patients at risk for many years in the center of a construction zone.
- 2. Rebuilding at the current site would cost tens of millions of dollars more, and ongoing maintenance of outdated facilities would divert limited funds from critical patient care.
- 3. Our current facilities, many of which are over 60 years old:
 - a. do not have the ceiling heights to accommodate advanced surgical and diagnostic equipment
 - b. have load-bearing walls that limit space utilization and the ability to have room sizes which meet current and future standards of patient care and treatment
 - c. are inefficient to maintain and unnecessarily large for the future of healthcare
 - d. have outdated infrastructure which limits our ability to have required electrical service, ventilation and other necessary utilities.

Our strategic plan is to continue to make IU Health Bloomington Hospital the heart of a regional healthcare delivery system. Doing so requires up-to-date facilities to provide the highest quality medical care and participate in training the next generation of physicians and healthcare professionals.

As you know, IU Health Bloomington Hospital:

- 1. Serves 430,000 individuals from 11 counties in south central Indiana.
- 2. In 2014, Bloomington Hospital had 129,600 patient visits.
- 3. Directly employs 3,060 in Bloomington with a total payroll of \$162 million making it the second-largest employer in Monroe County.
- 4. Of our 3,060 employees, 64% reside in Monroe County and 36% reside outside of the county, making a significant financial impact in Bloomington, Monroe County and the region.

As you know, in 2006 the hospital's Board of Directors recognized the limitations of our landlocked site and aging buildings and made the determination to acquire property in order to create an option for future decision makers regarding a replacement hospital.

Since then, and throughout the process, we have appreciated opportunities to work with you and a number of other stakeholders, including community leaders on our Board of Directors, physician leadership, physicians across the system, staff and other community stakeholders.

Your responsiveness to our offer to work cooperatively with you on a reuse and redevelopment committee and your quick appointment of participants has been greatly appreciated. We look forward to working with you and your appointed team.

Following the announcement of our decision that rebuilding at the present site was not feasible, we found on the City's website that the Bloomington City Council is planning a resolution regarding this

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issue. While the decision regarding the feasibility of rebuilding at the present site is behind us, we do look forward to working with your committee, including the members of the City Council you have appointed to serve. We trust that the work of this committee can be productive, transparent, collegial, collaborative and ultimately result in a workable solution that will serve our entire community.

Amanda Roach, a respected member of the IU Health Bloomington Hospital staff, will be attending the City Council meeting this evening solely to hear firsthand any input from our community and council members and to note questions, comments and concerns so that IU Health Bloomington Hospital can be responsive with information in an appropriate and timely matter.

As always, if you or any other members of the City Council have questions or concerns, feel free to address them to me. As I did with you, I reached out to every member of the City Council in advance of the announcement of our decision and have spoken personally with the majority of them regarding our decision. We will work diligently to keep that dialog open and productive.

Best regards,

Mark Moore, President & CEO

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